Message

From: Kondreck, Robert [kondreck.robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/24/2023 8:01:47 PM
To: Falconio, Tony [Tony.Falconio@Illinois.gov]; Ruesch, Paul [ruesch.paul@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

There was traffic yesterday about what they stored in this warehouse by Jamie Hicks home. Do either of you know if there is a planned RCRA inspection to determine proper chemical storage at Carus?

From: Brent Bader <b.bader@lasalle-il.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 1:49 PM
To: Kondreck, Robert <kondreck.robert@epa.gov>; Linduska, Rachel <Linduska.Rachel@epa.gov>; kim.biggs@illinois.gov
Subject: RE: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Hi Rob and all,

Carus did tell us the warehouse was empty aside from some vehicles parts. Today, we learned from one of our officers that they are storing chemicals in the facility. We've spoken to them about the miscommunication which has unfortunately set back some of our progress with that neighborhood. I will discuss this with Mr. Hicks at 2 p.m.

Just an update, thanks,

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From Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 12:47 PM
To: Kondreck, Robert <kondreck.robert@epa.gov>; linduska.rachel@epa.gov; Brent Bader <b.bader@lasalle-il.gov>; kim.biggs@illinois.gov
Subject: Re: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Robert,

I have questioned what carus has in the warehouse behind our homes? They tell the city they can't go in there to see what's going on. I find that very messed up . My building inspector or chief of fire departments Can't see whats goin on??., Carus told the city it parts.Its not, officer zebron saw what they have in there, he entered the building because they called the copsfrom me video taping them. Why is carus still hauling product from that warehouse? Why

are they storing chemicals in are backyards and nobody does anything. They are hiding what they have in there. WE need help here . Do not let these guys do what they want. We see it, I will keep going up the chain to see who dropped the ball on this whole situation. Including usepa , it seems to me carus is leading you instead of the other way around. Now I get no response from you . City says epa checking into that warehouse , not fast enough and not supervised apahently. I expect to hear back from somebody on this matter asap. Sneaky shit going on around here. You guys are letting them get away with it and cover it up. Still don't know how the fire started. I need answers sir and your pawning me off like every other agency

On Tue, Jan 24, 2023 at 9:11 AM Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) wrote:

Do you plan on rescheduling?

On Tue, Jan 24, 2023 at 8:56 AM Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) wrote:

So that's why you're not coming here, No new information? Pretty funny at the city meeting last night they told me you were coming too. Now it changed for some reason. Yes they called and said they don't have them YET ? Why is this taking so long for these results? Why would they not be rushed?. I am really frustrated that this plan has changed. Wonder why we don't trust the usepa . So at 7am when you emailed me, who did you talk to Carus or the city to cancel our planned meeting since last friday. That RMS crew has been out in the woods doing something. So you have no update for the city either? I find this really hard to believe. Is the epa guy that was here friday , here today? How can you tell me its ok , without test results? I need to know why from our email last night your plan was to meet me , 7am it changes? You don' see something wrong with that?

On Tue, Jan 24, 2023 at 7:56 AM Kondreck, Robert <kondreck.robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Unfortunately I do not have any new information to share. I'm not sure who told you I had your test results. I explained below that Illinois EPA collected those results and someone from Brad Frosts office will communicate them to you.

From: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 7:32 AM
To: Kondreck, Robert <kondreck.robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Robert,

Do you have plans on talking w me at all. I was told you were going to give me my test results today? This is very stressful situation. Please keep me posted on your plan.

On Tue, Jan 24, 2023, 6:51 AM Kondreck, Robert <kondreck.robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Unfortunately my travel plans have changed and I will not be able to meet with you at 12:00. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 23, 2023, at 4:03 PM, Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) wrote:

Should be around at 12

On Mon, Jan 23, 2023, 10:56 AM Kondreck, Robert <kondreck.robert@epa.gov> wrote:

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I contacted Illinois EPA and have not heard when the results would be available. However, Brad Frosts confirmed someone from his office should be reaching out to you once those results are in. I can't speak for why results are taking so long but typically results are received up to two weeks after submittal.

I'll be in town tomorrow and can stop by your house if you have other concerns likely between 11-12.

Rob

From: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2023 8:50 AM
To: Kondreck, Robert <kondreck.robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Robert

I have called Brad more than once for my results. How can they say it's safe when my test are not in? Why is this taking so long? I feel like we are being down played over here. I walked my whole n eighborhood. We got hit the hardest, I seen it go over my home, while it poured down on me. Raw material ,not only potassium permanganate. Please help me trust this process. The ploom headed nw from my home. Look forward to hearing from you.

On Thu, Jan 19, 2023, 6:32 PM Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) wrote:

Rob,

That sounds good Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

I thank you for your help and contacting me back.

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On Thu, Jan 19, 2023 at 4:36 PM Kondreck, Robert <kondreck.robert@epa.gov> wrote:

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I'd like to let you know that my coworker, Paul Ruesch and Illinois EPA, will be in La Salle around lunch-time tomorrow (1/20). I'm out of State and Paul has been working on this response with me since the start. They can meet with you and discuss the Site around lunch time if your available. Paul will give you a call to confirm your around tomorrow.

Rob

From: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 9:30 PM
To: Kondreck, Robert <kondreck.robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Robert,

This is Jamie Hicks I gave you my contact information at the city press conference. You sent epa guys to test the product that was dumped on me and my property. How do I get the results to the tests that they took. I am not comfortable with how this is being down played as safe. It's ate the paint off my porch , my trucks , ate thorough the rubber dog toys in the yard as well. I can go on. How the epa can say we are ok is mid blowing to me. We are getting the run around from everyone. City sends us to your website for updates which in return goes back to the city website or carus.

Please contact me , as you know I am a very intelligent guy and need answers. Look forward to hearing back asap

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